

**CITY OF BASTROP, TX**  
**RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-42**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS, TO APPROVE AN APPLICATION BY LONESTAR COWBOY POETRY FOR THE EVENT KNOWN AS LONESTAR COWBOY POETRY FOR A \$20,000 GRANT FROM THE HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FUND TO FUND A UNIQUELY BASTROP EVENT; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT, REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE, PROPER NOTICE, AND MEETING**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 51.001, the City of Bastrop ("City") has general authority to adopt an ordinance, resolution, or police regulation that is for the good government, peace, or order of the City and is necessary or proper for carrying out a power granted by law to the City; and

**WHEREAS**, Texas Tax Code Section 351.101(a)(3)(4)(5) authorizes hotel occupancy tax to be used for advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to attract tourists; the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts, including drama, folk art; and advertising and conducting solicitations and promotional programs to encourage tourists to visit preserved historic sites or museums; and

**WHEREAS**, having received an application from Lonestar Cowboy Poetry for a \$20,000 grant from the Hotel Occupancy Tax to fund a uniquely Bastrop event.

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that Cowboy Lonestar Poetry as a uniquely Bastrop event, will promote tourism within the City of Bastrop.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, Texas:

**Section 1. Findings of Fact:** The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this resolution ("Resolution") by reference as findings of fact as if expressly set forth word-for-word herein.

**Section 2. Authorization of Grant Funds:** The City Council authorizes a \$20,000 grant to be awarded for use in funding Cowboy Lonestar Poetry.

**Section 3. Execution.** The City Council authorizes the execution of all necessary documents related to the disbursement of the HOT Funds Grant.

**Section 4. Repealer:** To the extent reasonably possible, resolutions are to be read together in harmony. However, all resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict, and the provisions of this Resolution shall be and remain controlling as to the matters regulated.

**Section 5. Severability:** Should any of the clauses, sentences, paragraphs, sections, or parts of this Resolution be deemed invalid, unconstitutional, or unenforceable by a court of law or administrative agency with jurisdiction over the matter, such action shall not be construed to affect any other valid portion of this Resolution.

**Section 6. Effective Date:** This Resolution shall take effect upon the date of final passage noted below, or when all applicable publication requirements, if any, are satisfied in accordance with the City's Charter, its Code of Ordinances, and the laws of the State of Texas.

**Section 7. Proper Notice & Meeting:** It is hereby officially found and determined that the meeting at which this Resolution was passed was open to the public, and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by the Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Notice was also provided as required by Chapter 52 of the Texas Local Government Code.

**PASSED & APPROVED on First Reading** by the City Council of the City of Bastrop, on this, the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026.

APPROVED:

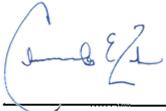
by:   
Ishmael Harris, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Michael Muscarello, TRMC, CMC, CPM  
City Secretary



**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



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City Attorney  
Denton Navarro Rocha Bernal & Zech, P.C.